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Mr. William I. Campbell  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Philip Morris  
120 Park Avenue  
New York, New York 10017

Dear Bill:

Thank you for your recent letter explaining the libel suit that Philip Morris has brought against ABC News. I appreciate you taking the time to explain your views.

I am deeply concerned with the continued attacks that the tobacco industry must endure. With each increasing assault, there is irreparable damage to the livelihood of thousands of Kentuckians. Sixty thousand farm families actively participate in growing tobacco and an additional 50,000 Kentuckians earn their living from manufacturing or marketing tobacco products. Tobacco contributes over \$3 billion to Kentucky's economy, and accounts for more than one-half of the total farm income received from the sales of crops grown in Kentucky.

It will please you to know that I have consistently and strongly supported Kentucky's tobacco industry during my service in the U.S. Senate, and will continue to do so. Rest assured, I will fight for tobacco farmers and Philip Morris.

Once again, I appreciate you taking the time to write and I hope to hear from you again soon.

Sincerely,

  
MITCH McCONNELL  
UNITED STATES SENATOR

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